

BEST AVAILABLE COPYApplication No.: 09/987,772Docket No.: 1519-031**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (currently amended) A connection apparatus for connecting an implement to a prime mover, the connection apparatus comprising:

a body adapted to be mounted on the prime mover, the body including connection means for connecting the body to the implement, the connection means including at least two recesses disposed substantially at right angles to one another within the body;

a plate which is slidably mounted to the body;

a locking member which is carried on the plate and adapted to move to a first position in which the locking member engages the implement to lock the implement and the body together, said locking member being adapted to move to a second position in which the locking member is disengaged from the implement so that the implement can be demounted from the body; and

moving means for moving the locking member between said first and second positions, wherein said moving means includes

a first ram mounted on the plate, the first ram being adapted to move the plate to thereby move the locking member to at least one of said first and second positions, wherein the first ram is located on the same side of the plate as the locking member; and

a second ram adapted to move the locking member to the second position.

2-3. (cancelled)

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4. (currently amended) A connection apparatus for connecting an implement to a prime mover, the connection apparatus comprising:

a body adapted to be mounted on the prime mover, the body including ~~[[a]]~~ connection means for connecting the body to the implement, the connection means including at least two recesses disposed substantially at right angles to one another within the body;

a locking member adapted to move to a first position in which the locking member engages the implement to lock the implement and the body together, said locking member being adapted to move to a second position in which the locking member is disengaged from the implement so that the implement can be demounted from the body; and

moving means for moving the locking member, wherein said moving means includes a ram mounted on a plate which is slidably mounted to the body, the ram being adapted to move the plate to thereby move the locking member to at least one of said positions;

wherein the locking member is pivotally mounted to the body and is associated with the plate, whereby the moving means is adapted to move the plate into contact with the locking member and to pivot the locking member into at least one of said first or second positions.

5. (currently amended) The connection apparatus as claimed in claim 1, wherein the first ram is extended in order to move the locking member to the first position.

6. (cancelled)

7. (currently amended) The connection apparatus as claimed in claim ~~[[6]]~~ 1, wherein the ~~further~~ second ram is a displacement ram.

8. (currently amended) The connection apparatus as claimed in claim ~~[[6]]~~ 1, wherein the first ram and the ~~further~~ second ram are in axial alignment with each other.

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9. (currently amended) A connection apparatus for connecting an implement to a prime mover, the apparatus including a body adapted to be mounted on the prime mover, the apparatus including:

[[a]] connection means for connecting the body to the implement, the connection means including

a plate which is slidably mounted to the body,

a locking member, and

moving means for moving the locking member between a first position in which the locking member engages the implement to lock the implement and the body together and a second position in which the locking member is disengaged from the implement so that the implement can be demounted from the body, said moving means including a ram mounted on the plate,

wherein the moving means includes a first displacement ram adapted to move the locking member to the first position, and a second displacement ram adapted to move the locking member to the second position, the displacement rams being joined together in mutual axial alignment.

10. (previously presented) The connection apparatus as claimed in claim 9, wherein the rams each include a sliding element which is slidably mounted in a cylinder, the cylinders being disposed so that when each sliding element moves in the cylinder in which it is mounted to extend the ram, the sliding element moves away from the junction between two cylinders forming the displacement ram.

11. (previously presented) The connection apparatus as claimed in claim 9, wherein the body of the connection apparatus defines a first component, and the connection apparatus includes a second component which is pivotably mounted to the body, said second component being provided with a second connecting means for connecting the connection apparatus to the implement,

wherein the first component is associated with at least one ram adapted to pivot the second component in relation to the first component.

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12. (previously presented) The connection apparatus as claimed in claim 9, the first component being associated with two rams, wherein a first ram is adapted to pivot the second component in a first direction, and the second ram is adapted to pivot the second component in the opposite direction to the first direction.